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TRANSMISSION LINES
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received a proposal from Kerala Government todirect Central Electricity Authority and Power Grid Corporation of India Limited to take up the 400 KV transmission line from Kolar-Mysore to Kozhikode on a war footing; and

(b) if so, the present position thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) & (b) : Kerala State Electricity Board (KSEB) had sent a proposal forconstruction of a 400 KV transmission line from Kolar to Kozhikode which has been examined in consultation with the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) and Power GridCorporation of India Limited (PGCIL).Talcher-II Transmission System was finalised in1998 and the project is already under advanced stage of completion. As such, enhancing the scope of Talcher-II Transmission System by including 400 KV line from Kolar toKozhikode at this stage would not be feasible.

One 400 KV D/c transmission line from Udumalpet (Tamil Nadu) toTrissur (Kerala) already exists and the second line from Madurai to Thiruvananthapuram is under construction by POWERGRID and is expected to be commissioned by 2003-04These lines are capable of supplying more than 1500 MW of power to Kerala against ashare of about 1100 MW from Central Sector projects including future projects like Talcher-II (4x500 MW). However, keeping in view the long term perspective, CEA and PGCIL are working on a plan for providing a 3rd 400 KV feed to Kerala from a suitablepoint in Karnataka for meeting the increasing demand in the Southern Region by import of increased quantum of power from Eastern Region.